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POETRY: *A Magazine of Verse*

EPISODES

THE THING

I see it in the sorry gleam
That lights the far and forlorn dream;
It's in the glorious sacrifice
Made for the wry inglorious prize;
It's there to see (I cannot choose)
When men take honor to the Jews,
And in the satyr's hoofs that rave
Down the still cathedral nave;
In slender lips that twist and sing,
And curved eyes quick with revelling,
And every gesture of delight
Caught in the blue mirage of night.

It will I seize and hold some day—
But for it I must throw away
And for it I must leave behind . . .

By God, I wish that I were blind!

EPITAPH ON A MADMAN'S GRAVE

The time had come to kill himself, he said,
Because at night he couldn't run and dive
Into a pool of sleep heels over head
The way he used to do when he was five.